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A key challenge to communicators and leaders is how to define the points you are trying to convey to your listeners, be they for a large audience individual. The objective(s) of your message differ each time whether persuading people to your point of view, managing them, informing them, o entertaining them. These varied focal points demand that you carefully consider the opening and closing of your message to maximize it's impact the structure and flow throughout. To view articles covering this general topic class, click on an article title which will cause it to display in the box article list.

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